

## Equal Educational Opportunity Planning Governor's Minority Student College Preparation Program Scheduled Programs and Summer Activities

The Council supports statewide programs that assist the public postsecondary institutions to attract, enroll, retain, and graduate African American students. Institutions are encouraged to use the programs to support strategies outlined in the partnership agreement and in The Kentucky Plan. Many youth have participated in, as well as benefited from, Council-sponsored programs since desegregation planning first began. A summary of scheduled and planned activities follows.

### **SREB Doctoral Scholars Program**

The Southern Regional Education Board Doctoral Scholars Program addresses the underrepresentation of minorities in postsecondary education. The program provides both academic and financial support to minorities pursuing the doctoral degree. Kentucky has served a total of 37 participants, including 21 doctoral scholars and 16 dissertation year scholars. Eighteen students are currently matriculating and 15 have completed all of the requirements and have earned their doctoral degree. The University of Kentucky has served a total of 27 students, the University of Louisville has served eight, the University of Memphis and Tulane University have served one each.

### **Kentucky's Doctoral Scholars**

#### **Since 1993:**

- 37 Scholars have entered the program
- 1 Withdrew from the program
- 2 Transferred to institutions outside Kentucky
- 18 Are matriculating toward completion of a doctoral degree

**Category of Program Participants:**

21	Doctoral Scholars
16	Dissertation Scholars
37	Total Scholars

**Demographics of Scholars:**

23	Women
14	Men
32	African American
3	American Indian/Alaskan Native
1	Hispanic American
1	Other

**The Governor's Minority Student College Preparation Program**

Eastern Kentucky University and the Council on Postsecondary Education co-sponsored the third statewide conference for participants of the Governor's Minority Student College Preparation Program, June 11-12, 2003. The event brought together approximately 200 middle and junior high school students and program directors from across the Commonwealth. The conference featured academic enrichment sessions on advanced placement courses and the pre-college curriculum, computer use and technology, support systems, and African American history and culture. There was also a special presentation by the Black Cavalry Unit as part of a Civil War reenactment. Additionally, students visited the ECU planetarium and toured the college campus and library. Programs are at each university and 14 of the community and technical colleges of the KCTCS.

**The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Academically Proficient African American High School Junior and Senior Conference**

Transylvania University will host the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Academically Proficient African American High School Junior and Senior Conference, June 20-21, 2003. Students, parents, and college representatives from across the Commonwealth are expected to participate. Workshop topics include: financial aid and admission, developing coping skills, strengthening communication skills, and selecting a college and a career. A parent workshop will also be included.

A college fair has been scheduled for students, parents, and guardians at the close of the conference. Representatives from Kentucky's public and private institutions have committed to attend. The goal of the conference is to offer information and support to students transitioning from high school to postsecondary education. Approximately 300 students are expected to participate in the day and a half event.

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